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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 10/31/60

WEATHER Temperature averages were about 2 degrees above normal in the eastern half of Nebraska and near normal in the west. The week began with mild temperatures. Cooler air moved across the State on Thursday night; daytime temperatures were progressively lower from that time until the close of the period. Low humidity, light winds and ample sunshine prevailed over the first five days of the period.

Rain and drizzle fell over the State on Saturday. Totals ranged from only a trace in the west to isolated amounts of over one inch in the east. Up to 2 inches of snow fell in some northwestern communities Saturday night and Sunday morning.

CROPS Corn and milo harvest was general throughout the State. The rate of harvest was faster for sorghum grain than for corn. Farmers were eager to get milo harvest out of the way while waiting for the moisture content of corn to drop further.

By early this week, a little over one-third of the corn was harvested. High moisture content of corn caused some delay in local areas. Moisture was reported at 21 percent--one point lower than a week earlier. It was about one point higher than the moisture percentage for the 1959 crop at the end of October last year. Progress of harvest was about at the same rate as last year and close to normal.

Milo harvest forged ahead rapidly with over 60 percent combined. Progress is a bit later than in the 1959 season. Moisture content of milo was reported at 14 percent, two points lower than a week ago. Soybean harvest is approaching the final stages with more than 85 percent of the crop out of the fields.

Winter grains continue to make good growth, except in dry areas of the west where conditions are somewhat spotted. October rains brought much needed relief in the southern Panhandle and across most of southern Nebraska, but soil moisture supplies are not as good as a year ago.

Winter feed supplies are adequate except in a few western areas hit by dry weather this summer. Winter grains are offering good to excellent pasturage in eastern counties.

LIVESTOCK The weather has been ideal for livestock this fall. They are gaining well in condition and weight. Feeder livestock have been moving into the feeding counties although the cattle movement has been running below a year ago.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 31, 1960

	<u>East</u>		<u>Central</u>		<u>West</u>
Grand Island	.38	Burwell	.36	Chadron	.01
Lincoln	.15	North Platte	.02	Imperial	.19
Norfolk	.35	Valentine	.06	Scottsbluff	.07
Omaha	1.20			Sidney	.07
Sioux City	.90				

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		October													
		25th		26th		27th		28th		29th		30th		31st	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	80	42	65	38	81	48	63	21	62	30	52	29	46	21
	Scottsbluff	78	36	63	32	76	35	60	28	61	34	61	27	46	23
	Sidney	78	39	61	30	74	36	59	29	56	28	56	26	44	24
NC	Burwell	75	47	68	25	76	35	68	24	61	38	64	36	44	--
	Valentine	82	35	65	27	76	34	63	22	62	42	60	32	44	20
NE	Norfolk	66	46	66	32	69	37	73	35	60	37	53	38	46	39
	Sioux City	64	46	68	35	60	37	77	37	66	41	54	43	47	40
CEN	Grand Island	75	48	69	32	71	46	72	32	60	41	59	37	44	32
EC	Lincoln	68	54	70	38	70	45	76	45	66	51	55	41	48	41
	Omaha	63	49	69	39	62	40	72	43	66	47	54	40	46	40
SW	Imperial	75	43	67	30	74	34	66	37	59	36	61	30	45	26
	North Platte	77	48	69	25	74	31	66	26	60	40	63	32	45	19

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